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For: INK CARTRIDGE AND IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS

Enclosed are:

- ☒ A specification consisting of Seventy-five (75) pages
- ☒ Sixteen (16) sheet(s) formal drawings
- ☒ An assignment of the invention
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27
- ☐ Applicant does not claim priority

- ☒ Applicant claims the right of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on Application No(s). 2002-270725 filed in JAPAN on September 17, 2002.
- ☒ Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto.
- ☐ Certified copy(ies) will follow.
- ☒ Executed Declaration ☒ Original ☐ Photocopy)
- ☐ Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.76
- ☒ Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and reference(s)
- ☐ Other:
- ☐ Applicant requests early publication - \$300.00 publication fee
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